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Colonel Donald H. Callaway, 9-11110, Cavalry

Dear Colonel:

Your departure from this organization in the near future is accepted with real regret and sincere appreciation for your outstanding accomplishments as the first Assistant Director for Special Operations, Central Intelligence Agency.

The sensitive and specialized assignment which you have so efficiently carried out in the past three years has been one of challenge, great responsibility, and of extreme importance to the national interest. Your success in that field is testimonial to both your executive and operational ability. The respect and admiration of your colleagues and subordinates is indicative of the firmness and fairness which marked your every activity. Your leadership in this delicate and dangerous field are positive proof of your initiative, tactful aggressiveness and character.

You leave this Agency with the knowledge of a job well done and we all wish you continued success in your new assignment.

Sincerely yours,

Signed &amp; dispatched 1/14/49

R. H. WILKINSON  
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Director of Central  
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